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SUBJECT: SECRETARY'S PRESS CONFERENCE REMARKS ON TURKEY/CYPRUS

1. PLEASE BRING TO FOREIGN MINISTER ESENBEL'S ATTENTION FOLLOWING EXCHANGE ON TURKISH ASSISTANCE/CYPRUS NEGOTIATIONS WHICH TOOK PLACE IN SECRETARY'S PRESS CONFERENCE JANUARY 28: QUOTE.

Q. MR. SECRETARY, NEXT WEEK, FEBRUARY 5, IS THE DEADLINE BY WHICH TIME THE ADMINISTRATION HAS TO REPORT PROGRESS LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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ON CYPRUS. WHAT KIND OF REPORT DO YOU THINK YOU WILL

BE ABLE TO GIVE TO CONGRESS BY THAT DATE? OTHERWISE AID TO TURKEY IS CUT OFF.

SECRETARY'S REPLY: I CAN ONLY STRESS WHAT I HAVE SAID PREVIOUSLY. THE UNITED STATES GIVES AID TO TURKEY, NOT AS A FAVOR TO TURKEY, BUT IN THE INTERESTS OF WESTERN SECURITY. AND I THINK ANYBODY LOOKING AT A MAP AND ANALYZING FORESEEABLE TROUBLE SPOTS MUST RECOGNIZE THIS.

THEREFORE, THE ADMINISTRATION IS OPPOSED TO THE CUT-OFF OF AID TO TURKEY, REGARDLESS OF WHAT PROGRESS MAY BE MADE IN THE NEGOTIATIONS.

SECONDLY, THE ADMINISTRATION FAVORS RAPID PROGRESS IN THE NEGOTIATIONS OVER CYPRUS AND HAS SUPPORTED THIS PROGRESS. AND I BELIEVE THAT ALL OF THE PARTIES, INCLUDING THE GREEK SIDE, AND ESPECIALLY THE GREEK SIDE, WOULD HAVE TO AGREE THAT THE UNITED STATES HAS MADE MAJOR EFFORTS.

I BELIEVE THAT SOME PROGRESS IS POSSIBLE AND WILL BE MADE.-CAN BE MADE BEFORE FEBRUARY 5. AND WE WILL BE IN TOUCH WITH THE CONGRESS, EITHER LATE THIS WEEK OR EARLY NEXT WEEK. AND I HAVE STAYED IN VERY CLOSE CONTACT WITH THOSE MEMBERS OF THE CONGRESS AND THE SENATE THAT HAVE HAD A PARTICULAR INTEREST IN THIS QUESTION, TO KEEP THEM INFORMED OF THE STATE OF THE NEGOTIATIONS.

SO BY THE END OF THIS WEEK--AS YOU KNOW, THE PARTIES NOW MEET TWICE A WEEK IN NICOSIA--AND BY THE END OF THIS WEEK, AFTER THEIR SECOND MEETING THIS WEEK, I WILL BE IN TOUCH WITH THE PARTIES, AND WE WILL DISCUSS THAT WITH THE CONGRESS. END QUOTE. KISSINGER

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